

MINUTES City of Cathedral City TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

City Hall - Study Session Room 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero Cathedral City, CA 92234 Date: JULY 14, 2005 Time: 6:30 P.M. Bi-Monthly Meetings

Commissioners:

James Navarro (Chair), Harold Blumberg (Vice Chair), Rosalina Nava, William Baker, Art Gregoire

- I. <u>ROLL CALL:</u> Present: <u>Commissioners:</u> <u>Navarro</u>, <u>Blumberg</u>, <u>Nava</u>, <u>Baker</u>, <u>Gregoire</u>. Also attending mtg: Bob Mohler- Commission Liaison, Hui Lai- Traffic Consultant, Paul Shillcock- Economic Development Director.
- II. <u>APPROVAL OF ABSENCES:</u> (No Absences)
- III. <u>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES</u> (May 19, 2005) Moved by Blumberg, seconded by Baker, and unanimously approved by the Commission.
- IV. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</u> NONE
- V. **NEW BUSINESS**: (Presentation by Paul Shillcock, Economic Development Director):
 - 1. Extensive briefing by Mr. Shillcock on the Downtown Cathedral City Development Projects (including the new Sheraton Hotel) and other projects affecting traffic on E. Palm Canyon Dr. and related roadways.
- VI. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: (Presentation by <u>Hui Lai</u> of Traffic Safety Engineers, Inc.):
 - 1. Status Report on the Downtown E. Palm Canyon Signal Modifications approved by City Council on June 8, 2005 (left turn arrow removals & new traffic controllers).
 - 2. Status Report on Downtown E. Palm Canyon Drive Traffic Study "B" (concerning long-term alternatives to avoid future grid-lock projected by CVAG and traffic planners) (City Council approved consultant contract for both above traffic studies on 2/23/05)
- VII. <u>COMMISSION/STAFF COMMENTS:</u> The Commission is looking forward to seeing the downtown traffic signals modified soon to improve E. Palm Canyon Traffic flows. The new traffic controllers (6), will be installed and left-turn arrows modified by the September 1 target date, which will commence the 90-day test approved by City Council on 6/08/05.
- VIII. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Next meeting: <u>September 15, 2005</u> (3rd Thursday every 2 months)